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TENSION ASSESSMENT DURING JOINT ARTHROPLASTY

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Amendment and Response to Office Action

In response to the Office Action mailed on May 18, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

Please charge any fees which may be due to constitute this a timely response to the Office Action to deposit account no. 10-0750/DEP777NP/SJM. A Request for Continued Examination and Petition for Extension of Time accompanies this Amendment and Response. All fees related to this response are being paid electronically through the EFS. However, if additional fees are required, the Examiner is hereby authorized to debit deposit account no. 10-0750/DEP777NP/SJM.